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Respect:

We promote mutual respect, courtesy, inclusion, and thoughtfulness in all interactions, and we provide a high level of customer service and responsiveness by City staff to residents. We treat all individuals with dignity, we respect every opinion, and we listen to all sides.



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The City of DELTONA



City of Deltona Proud to be part of it...

From Vision to Reality

COMING SOON: THE CITY OF DELTONA IS rolling out a planning process to create a strategy for the vision of the city, The Community Strategic Plan. Strategic planning as a process allows the Commission and the community to guide the City's future with an overall plan, rather than making decisions issue by issue or crisis by crisis. The Community Strategic Planning process provides a positive setting to set aside time to methodically determine where it is you want to go as a community and as a city.

That is why we need your help. The City will be looking for enthusiastic and energetic volunteers to participate in Task Force meetings and workshops that will incorporate innovative visioning techniques designed to receive your input on key areas such as: economic development, quality of life, land use, and our development as a community.

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Wildfire Danger Still Present This Summer

WITH THE SUMMER SEASON AND THE 4TH of July holiday upon us, this Fire Department wants to help ensure all citizens have a safe summer season. No recreational fireworks that explode or fly are legal to use in Deltona. Most sparklers are legal but we want to discourage use of sparklers this July 4th.

Here are a few helpful hints to make sure you're fire safe: For protection from forest or brush fires maintain a 30-foot area of break between your home and the surrounding woods. Clean roof surfaces

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From the Office of Mayor Dennis Mulder

AS THE HEAT OF THE summer arrives and we all hope for rain (without hurricanes of course), the City Commission's work load is busier than ever.



Deltona is making strides to realize its vision of commercial development. Construction on phase one of Deltona's Activity Center should start early next year. Imagine a movie theatre at the end of a walkable shopping district.

Pardon our dust as we rebuild and reconfigure all of Deltona's old and failing roads. A social service center, teen center, redeveloped senior center and a long anticipated public safety complex are all under discussion. The city is also considering partnering with Volusia County to expand library services, and to create an environmental learning center with an amphitheater for the arts, concerts and shows.

For the first time in our city's history, we've had open public forums on budget allocation issues. In the process, we have learned that improved public safety continues to be a concern for residents. Suggestions for our own police department and true community policing have arisen. I am confident that the community will continue to debate how police services can improve.

Let this summer be a productive one, and not be too caught up with "those lazy summer days." Please remember, this is your community and I need your help every day and in every way possible to shape it!

--Sincerely, Mayor Dennis Mulder

The Official Newsletter of the City of Deltona

July - August Calendar of Events

JULY

10 Mayor's Table, 7 p.m., Commission Chambers, City Hall, 2345 Providence Blvd.--Come share your ideas with Mayor Dennis Mulder.

14 Music in the Courtyard featuring the Joe Mose Band, 7-9 p.m., in the courtyard at City Hall. Bring blankets, lawn chairs and snacks.

AUGUST

1 District 5 Town Hall Meeting with Commissioner Janet

Deyette, 7 p.m. Commission Chambers, City Hall.

11 Music in the Courtyard featuring Sam Rodriguez, 7-9 p.m. in the courtyard at City Hall.

14 Mayor's Table, 7 p.m., Commission Chambers, City Hall.

ONGOING EVENTS

• City Commission meetings, 6:30 p.m., first and third Mondays. Workshops are scheduled regularly for alternate Mondays. For a list of meetings, agendas and minutes, visit www.deltonafl.gov.

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Vision to Reality

The process employs group discussions and is highly participative and interactive. Individuals will have an opportunity to generate and share ideas, and to weigh alternatives to meet the needs of diverse stakeholders. As the ideas generated are shared and debated, groups will be working toward a consensus of organizational value, purpose, future direction and priorities.

Be on the lookout this summer for further information and ways to participate in the City's vision for the future.

SHIP Purchase Assistance Workshop

Applications will be available for the 2007-08 SHIP First Time Homebuyer Program. Workshops are scheduled to review the application requirements and program processes with interested First Time Homebuyers. 10 a.m. & 2 p.m., July 19, Deltona City Hall, 2345 Providence Blvd.

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Wildfire Danger



and gutters of flammable materials. There is no authorized outdoor burning allowed. Use outdoor cooking grills with caution. Never use gasoline to start the fire.

All combustibles such as firewood, boats and picnic tables should be kept away from structures.

Enjoying your summer is keeping safety as a priority and not taking for granted what we know to be the correct actions to take.

Please be Safe this Summer!

Do not take for granted the potential for injury or fire threat. If you have any questions or would like addition all information please call the Fire Department (386) 860-7177. And for all Emergencies please call 9-1-1.

Rental Property Ordinance Is Approved

ON MAY 21, THE DELTONA City Commission adopted a Rental Property Ordinance requiring the registration of all residential residences within the city limits.

There are exceptions to the ordinance. Hotels, motels, apartment units, condominium units, and all properties with on-site management and maintenance, including duplex units where the owner resides on-site, are all exempt.

Complaints about the appearance and conditions of rental properties throughout the city—household waste and furniture left curbside, unkempt yards, and vehicles parked in yards and right-of-ways-- were the focus of the ordinance. The new ordinance is meant to protect the public health, welfare and safety, as well as provide adequate notice to owner/ landlords who do not live in that property of their responsibilities with city codes. This step will also ensure that rental properties are maintained in a high quality manner, as required of all residential properties.

This ordinance relies on the Florida Building Codes, and other City of Deltona Codes for regulation and enforcement. The Florida Building Code can be accessed at www.floridabuilding.org, and the Deltona Codes can be accessed at www.deltonafl.gov. The ordinance goes into effect on Oct. 1.



Planning & Development Department is Streamlined

IN AN EFFORT TO STREAMLINE THE permitting process the Department of Planning & Development Services has been hard at work reorganizing several aspects of the review, permitting, zoning and inspection processes and creating a new customer service orientated attitude to better serve the community.

This attitude is reflected in our new mission statement. The development review process has been reinvented to provide a more inviting productive atmosphere to the Development Review Committee meetings. Any applicant with any type of conceptual idea for a project is welcome to attend and discuss with members of the DRC which include the Fire Department, Water, Public Works, the City Engineer and Planning & Development Services.

We have several members of our staff trained in site plan review to have more eyes looking at the site plans to provide a more comprehensive review of all projects. Since January, we have cut the review time in half, therefore

expediting the review process of commercial projects. The following is also a list of additional programs or changes being implemented in an effort to better serve our residents:

We have reorganized and consolidated the zoning and



inspection process. Zoning review for single family residential accessory structures has been moved under the umbrella of Construction Services.

In addition and in order to expedite single family residential site inspections, the site inspection function has also been moved into the Construction Services Department. We have an ongoing effort of providing improved internal and external communication via the Web site and

television broadcasts on Channel 99.

Staff is creating new work spaces and customer service areas. By maximizing our office space 10 additional staff members can be relocated to better assist our customers for those who walk into City Hall seeking assistance.

Housing and Community Development Services will be magnified by providing customer service representatives and communication tools to better serve the residents of this community. Staff is providing ongoing training sessions on the comprehensive plan and land development code to all staff users.

Monthly leadership meetings with Construction Services and Enforcement Services are planned to discuss ways to improve the customer service system and communication among departments. We will continue to work steadfast in improving every aspect of our department to provide outstanding service to our community.

Planning & Development's Mission Statement

The Department of Planning and Development Services is committed to serving the citizens of Deltona by striving to enrich the quality of life for all residents, visitors and commercial industry. The Department exists for the purpose of effectively planning for the future of Deltona and is committed to providing excellence in customer service and consistent policy advice that guides the physical, economic and social growth of the City. Through effective communication, progressive development, redevelopment, equal partnerships and customer satisfaction we will set the standard for all planning agencies to follow.

Are you registered to vote in the 2007 Election?

We encourage all of our eligible residents to register to vote for the candidate of their choice. If you are a new resident of Volusia County, you must register to vote 29 days before an election to be eligible to vote. To obtain an application to register to vote, simply stop by City Hall, 2345 Providence Blvd., and any county library, Chamber of Commerce, Drivers License Bureau or the Volusia County Elections Office at 125 W. New York Ave., DeLand. You may call (386) 736-5930 or e-mail fceleste@co.volusia.fl.us. Primary Elections are scheduled for Oct. 9 and the General Election is scheduled for Nov. 6.

Important City Phone Numbers

City Hall, 2345 Providence Blvd.,
(386) 878-8100

Mayor and City Commission,
(386) 878-8860

City Clerk's Office, (386) 878-8500

Communication and Public Information,
(386) 878-8755

City Manager's Office, (386) 878-8850

Human Resources, (386) 878-8750

Construction Services (inspections and
permitting), (386) 878-8650

Automated inspection information,
(386) 575-6900

Development Services, (386) 878-8600

Zoning Division, (386) 878-8615

Animal Control, (386) 860-7177

Code and Solid Waste Compliance,
(386) 878-8700

Public Works, 201 Howland Blvd.,
(386) 878-8950

Water and Sewer, 255 Enterprise Road,
(386) 575-6800 (customer service)
(407) 936-9283 (customer service)

Parks & Recreation, 2345 Providence Blvd.
(386) 878-8900 (programs and facilities)

Fire Department Administration, 1685
Providence Blvd., (386) 860-7177

Waste Services Inc. (Recycling bins,
garbage pick-up and special pick-ups),
(386) 574-0778

Volusia County Sheriff's Office, 1200
Deltona Blvd., (386) 860-7030 or after 4:30
p.m. Monday-Friday, (386) 736-5999

Emergencies, 911

New City Web Site Goes On Line!



ON JUNE 1, THE CITY OF Deltona unveiled its newly redesigned Web site. The new site www.deltonafl.gov will provide a more comprehensive coverage of the City's activities.

Some of the key changes to the site are the new calendar feature, the addition of the site search feature, easy-to-use navigation, faster upload of document attachments and a more uniform look throughout

the site.

Visitors to the new site will find a wealth of information on every department and will view the recent addition of the Economic Development and Communications' pages. The newly redesigned Web site is one of many steps to expand channels of communication and information to our residents.

Comments, questions, or concerns regarding the Web site, should be directed to the City Clerk's Office, (386) 878-8500 or by e-mailing: fmiller@deltonafl.gov

Economic Development: Innovation & Development

THROUGH INNOVATIVE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT techniques, Deltona strives to be forward-thinking and visionary in its approach to economic development.

What does it take to succeed?

- A successful vision is based on the "Big Story to Sell"
- Design standards must match the Environment
- Anticipate the "Impact on the Community, Traffic, People & Resources"
- Strategies are aligned with the goals of the Community
- Leadership
- Private Sector Buy-In
- Community Support

To find out about new development strategies or upcoming projects, contact Sally Sherman in the Economic Development Office, (386) 878-8853, or ssherman@deltonafl.gov.



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